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FEATURING

SPIDER-MAN

PLUS
YELLOWJACKET AND **THE WASP**



NO,
WASP!
NO!

YOU CAN'T
STOP ME! MY
HUSBAND WAS
MURDERED
BEFORE MY
EYES--

--I'LL
AVENGE HIM
OR **DIE**
TRYING!



Stan Lee PRESENTS: **SPIDEY** AND THE **YELLOWTACKET** --TOGETHER!

SOME SAY SPIDEY WILL DIE BY FIRE...

8:44 PM--THE QUEENS-
BOROUGH BRIDGE, HALF-
WAY BETWEEN ROOSEVELT
ISLAND AND MANHATTAN...

SPIDEY'S ON HIS WAY
HOME FROM GUNNY
DINNER AT AUNT
MAY'S, FEELING
FOOT-LOOSE AND
FANCY FREE AS HE
SWINGS ACROSS
THE EAST RIVER,
WHEN...

FIRE-BLAST--
COMING
OUT OF
NOWHERE!

NO CHANCE TO
DODGE-- IF I DON'T
LET GO OF MY WEB-
LINE, I'LL **BURN!**

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....SOME SAY
BY
ICE!

UNNNGNH!

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DEDICATED--
WITH RESPECT AND
ADMIRATION--TO
ROY THOMAS.

HE NEVER REACHES
THE OTHER SIDE.

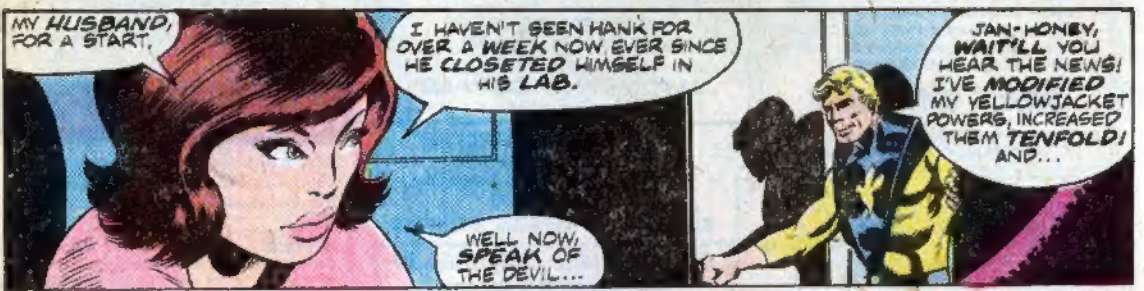
8:41 PM--RIVERVIEW TERRACE, JUST SOUTH OF THE BRIDGE, SPECIFICALLY THE DUPLEX PENTHOUSE HOME OF JANET AND HENRY PYM...



"STAR LIGHT, STAR BRIGHT,
THE FIRST STAR I
SEE TONIGHT..."

"...I WISH I MAY, I WISH I MIGHT,
HAVE THE WISH I WISH TONIGHT."
BUT THERE'S THE RUB, JAN--YOU'RE
THE WOMAN WHO HAS EVERYTHING.

WHAT COULD
YOU POSSIBLY WANT
TO WISH FOR?



MY HUSBAND,
FOR A START.

I HAVEN'T SEEN HANK FOR
OVER A WEEK NOW EVER SINCE
HE CLOSTED HIMSELF IN
HIS LAB.

WELL NOW,
SPEAK OF
THE DEVIL...

JAN--HONEY,
WAIT'LL YOU
HEAR THE NEWS!
I'VE MODIFIED
MY YELLOWJACKET
POWERS, INCREASED
THEM TENFOLD!
AND...



I'M NOT
INTERESTED,
HANK. NOT IN
YOUR WORK.
NOT TONIGHT.

IT'S
YOU I'M
INTERESTED
IN...



SO I SEE.
DUMB OF ME
NOT TO HAVE
NOTICED
BEFORE.

HEY!
SOME SORT OF
LIGHT FLASHED
BENEATH THE
BRIDGE--I
WONDER WHAT...

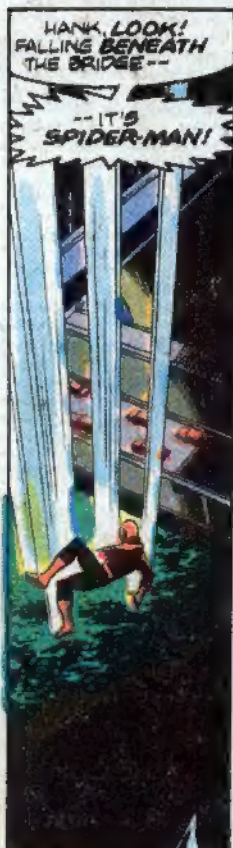
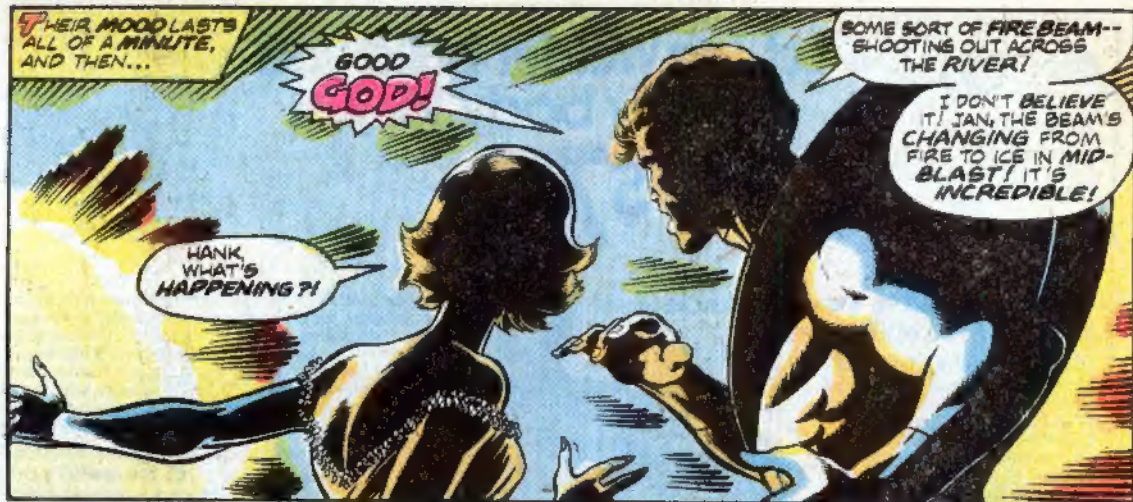
HANK PYM,
STOP IT!

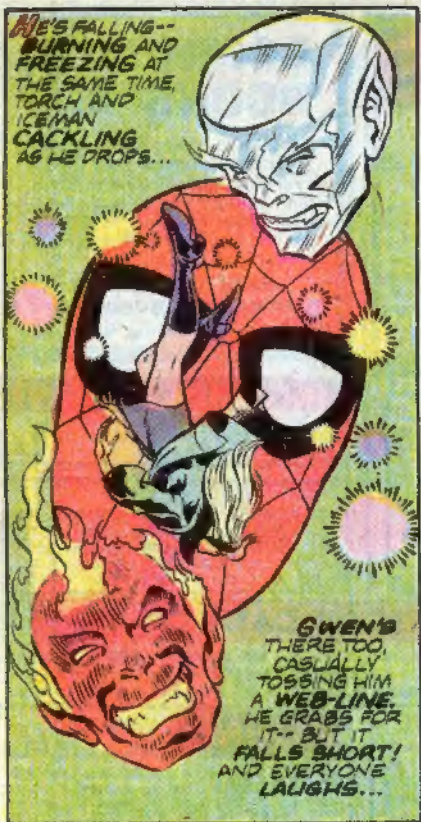


JUST CURIOUS, M'LOVE.
IT WAS PROBABLY A
POLICE CAR STROBE...

OH
SHUT UP,
YOU BIG LUG--
AND KISS
ME.

"WHATEVER
JANNY WANTS..."
MMMMMM...





HE'S FALLING--
BURNING AND
FREEZING AT
THE SAME TIME,
TORCH AND
ICE MAN
CACKLING
AS HE DROPS...

SWEN'S
THERE TOO,
CASUALLY
TOSSING HIM
A WEB-LINE.
HE GRABS FOR
IT-- BUT IT
FALLS SHORT!
AND EVERYONE
LAUGHS...



... AND THE WATER RUSHES
CLOSER, EVER CLOSER-- NO
CHANCE TO SAVE HIMSELF, TIME
RUN OUT, ABOUT TO HIT...

NO!

WUT--?P?
I'M... I'M
ALIVE?!



OH, WOW... IT WAS ONLY A
NIGHTMARE. IT FELT SO
... REAL, THOUGH I...

HEY,
WHERE AM I?
THE LAST THING I
REMEMBER WAS
SWINGING ACROSS THE
EAST RIVER, AND
THEN, I... I WAS
ON FIRE!



YOU'RE THAWING IN THE PYM
LIVING ROOM, WALL-CRAWLER--
COURTESY OF THE YELLOWJACKET
LIFEGUARD SERVICE.

SOMEONE
AMBUSHED YOU,
PAL, AND YOU TOOK
A HEADER INTO
THE WATER. MY
HELPFUL HUBBY
FISHED
YOU OUT.

...OH.



NO LUCK, JAN-- WHOEVER ZAPPED
SPIDEY WAS GONE BY THE TIME I GOT
BACK THERE... AH-HA, OUR
GUEST'S AWAKE.

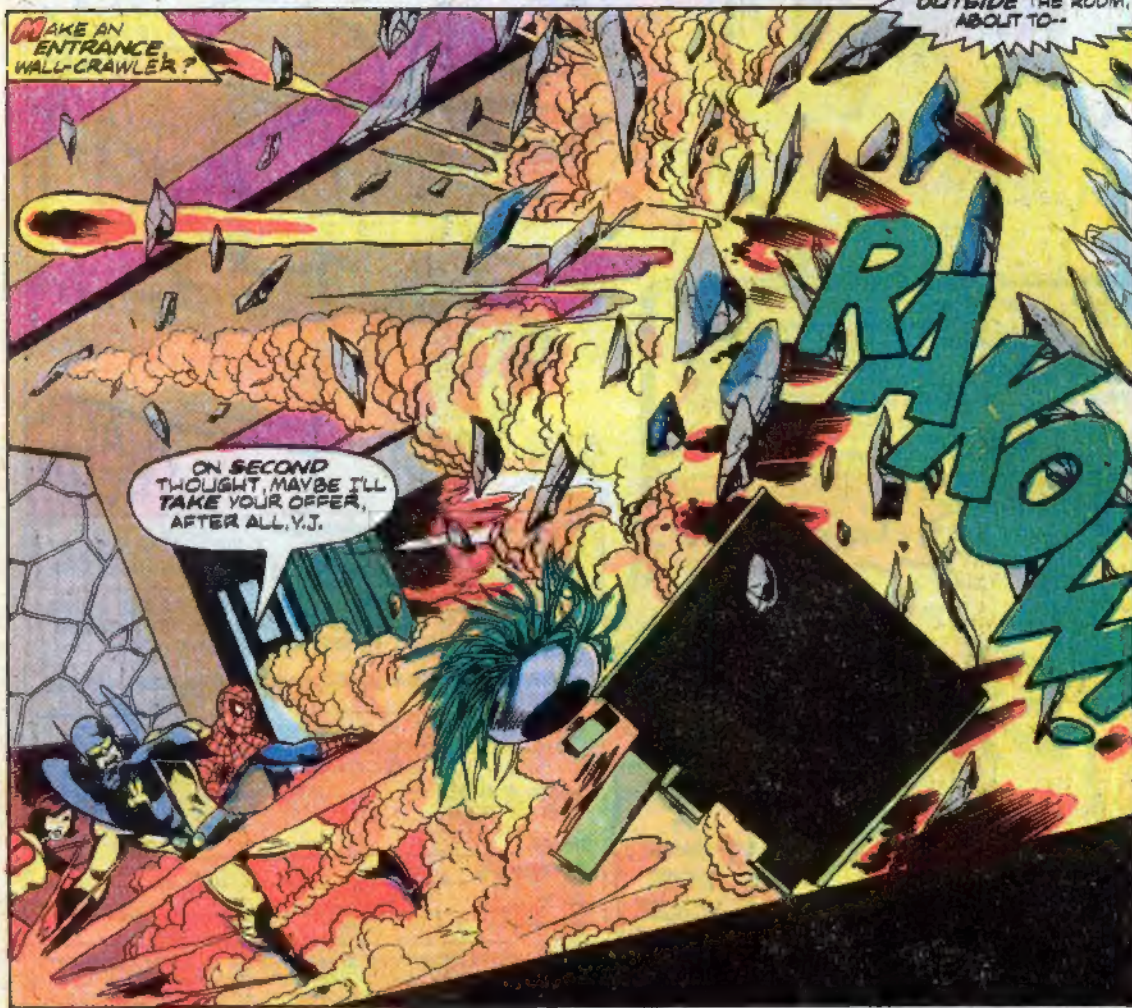
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HE
DOING?

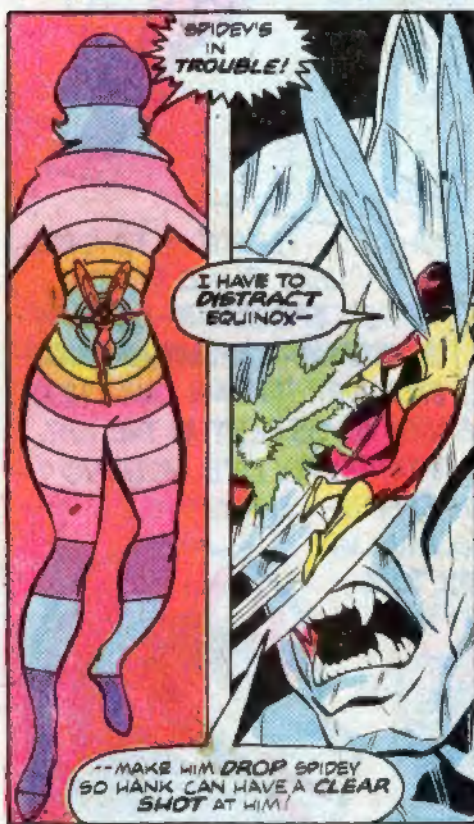
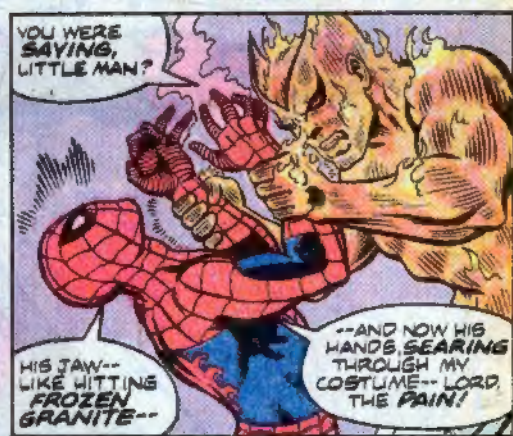
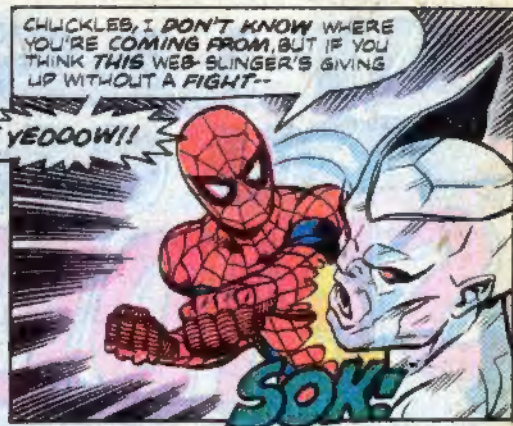
A MITE CONFUSED,
I THINK. DON'T WORRY,
SPIDEY; YOU'LL FEEL BETTER
AFTER YOU'VE DRUNK
SOME HOT COCOA.

TH-THANK YOU.
BUT YOU SAY I WAS...
ATTACKED?

BY FIRE AND
ICE BEAMS, IT LOOKED
LIKE YOU HAVE ANY ENEMIES
WHO FIT THAT BILL?







SO HAS
YELLOW-
JACKET.



I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU, AVENGER!
I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANYONE! YOUR
POWERS ARE NOTHING COMPARED TO
THE NUCLEAR FIRES THAT RAGE
WITHIN ME!

HIS TONE OF
VOICE -- ADULT
ONE MOMENT, YOUNG
THE NEXT, AS IF --
ZUNNNNGH!

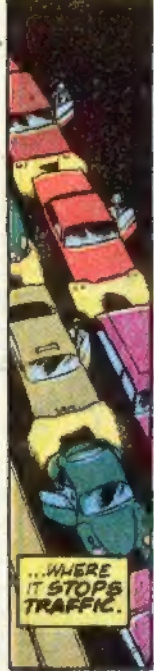
COMING BACK FOR
MORE, SPIDER-MAN?
YOU MUST BE A
GLUTTON FOR PUNISHMENT.



JUST
STUBBORN
IS ALL.

OW!

9:03 PM--
THE BATTLE'S
DEMOLISHED
MOST OF THE
PENTHOUSE
BY NOW.
MOVING FROM
THE RIVER TO
YORK
AVENUE...



...WHERE
IT STOPS
TRAFFIC.

SOMETHING'S
HAPPENING DOWN THE
BLOCK-- THE POLICE ARE
CORDONING OFF THE
STREET, MOVING THE
CARS BACK...



OH, LORD
I PRAY I'M
IN TIME.



THAT BURST OF
FIRE! WHAT--?!

LOOK AT THAT
WILLYA?! RADIO
SAYS SOME
CLOWN'S TAKIN'
ON A COUPLE OF
AVENGERS--

--SOME
DUDE MADE O'
FIRE AN'
ICE!

FIRE AND... BUT
IT COULDN'T BE--
NOT HIM!

9:06 AM-- THE
TRAFFIC JAM'S
MOVED PAST THE
BRIDGE, TURNING
YORK AVENUE INTO
A GIGANTIC
PARKING LOT,
WHICH MAKES SOME
PEOPLE MAD...



GET OUTTA THE
WAY, YA BUMS! I'M
TRYIN' T' MAKE A
DELIVERY!

THIS FUEL
TRUCK'S GOT A
SCHEDULE T'KEEP
FR CRYIN' OUT LOUD!

MEANTIME...

THERE! THAT STAGGERED HIM! BUT IT TOOK A FULL STRENGTH BLAST!

SHZAK!

IF I HADN'T ADAPTED THE POWERS OF MY MOLECULAR DISRUPTOR GUN TO MY COSTUME, INCREASED THEM TENFOLD, HE'D HAVE MURDERED US BY NOW.

AS IT IS, WE'RE BARELY HOLDING OUR OWN.

AAAAHHH!

HAVE TO HIT HIM AGAIN-- BEFORE HE RECOVERS!

GOT HIM!

KARASH!

A CHEER FROM YELLOWJACKET, A FAR DIFFERENT REACTION THAN FROM THE MYSTERIOUS WOMAN WATCHING BELOW.

TRY!

DON'T BET ON IT...

GOTTA USE MY ICE POWERS TO FREEZE THE WATER VAPOR MOLECULES IN THE AIR-- FORM AN ICE SLIDE LIKE I'VE SEEN ICEMAN DO.

I HATE TO RUN BUT YELLOWJACKET'S ENERGY BEAM-- IT HURT ME! HE'S GONNA PAY FOR THAT I SWEAR!

'CAUSE I'M THROUGH WITH BEIN' HURT, THROUGH PLAYIN' BY MAMA'S RULES! I GOT THE POWER, AN' I'M GONNA USE IT!

IT'S AN EIGHT-STORY FALL FROM THAT WINDOW! HE'LL BE KILLED!

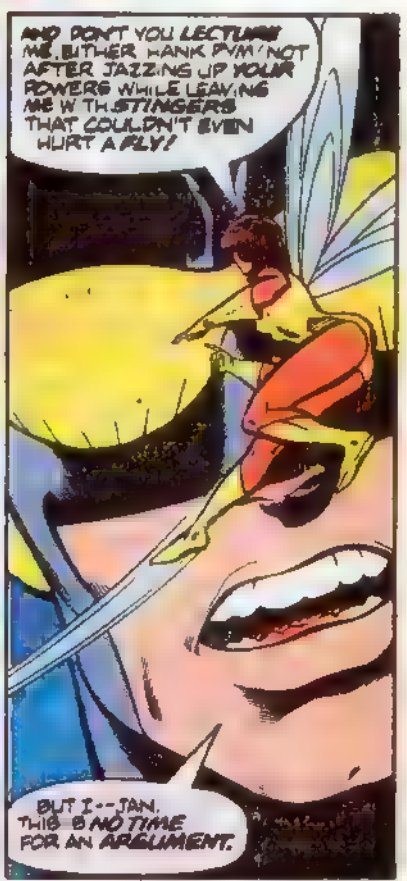
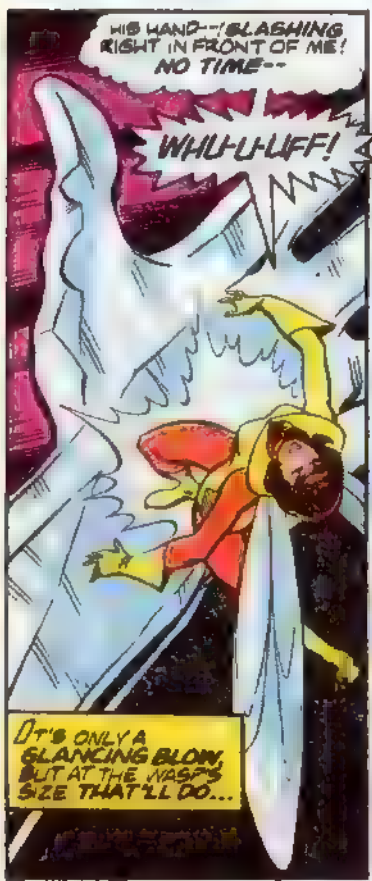
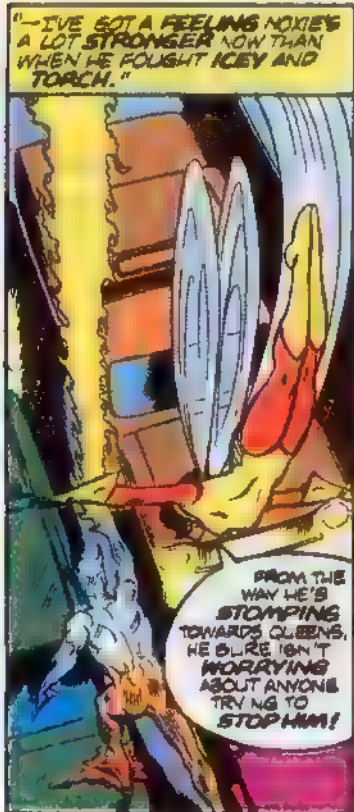
HE HEADS NORTH ALONG THE RIVER, TOO INTENT ON FLIGHT TO NOTICE A CAR ACCELERATING MADLY DOWN 5TH STREET

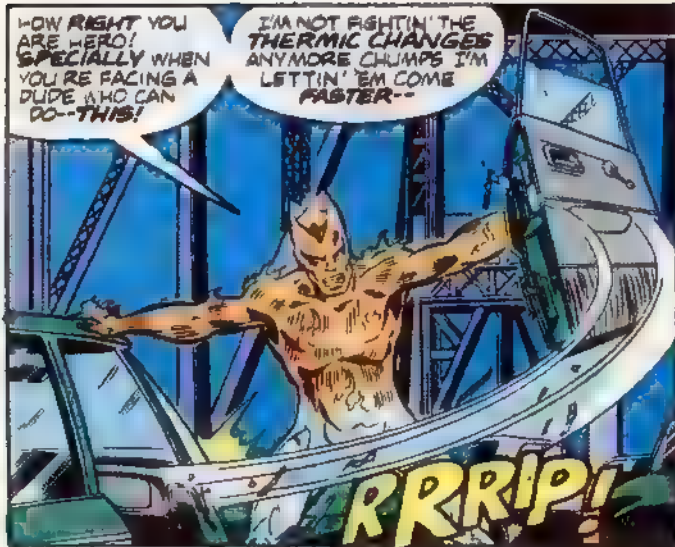
RRREEEE

HEY LADY! WHAT'CHER THINK YER DOIN'???

BUMP!

FOLLOWING EQUINOX.

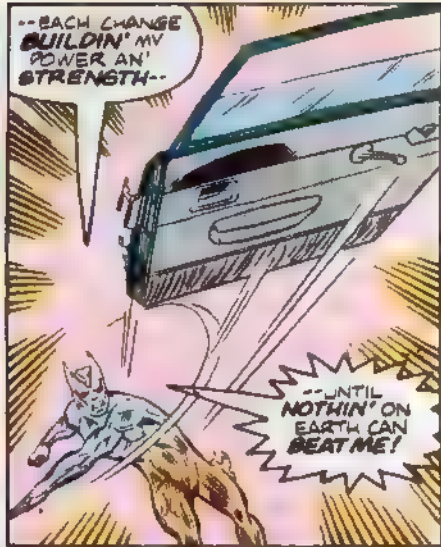




HOW RIGHT YOU ARE HERO! SPECIALLY WHEN YOU'RE FACING A DUDE WHO CAN DO--THIS!

I'M NOT FIGHTIN' THE THERMIC CHANGES ANYMORE CHUMPS I'M LETTIN' 'EM COME FASTER--

RRRIIP!



--EACH CHANGE BUILDIN' MY POWER AN' STRENGTH--

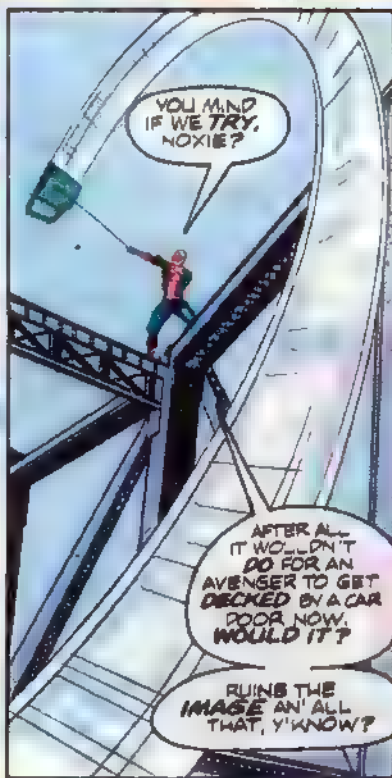
--UNTIL NOTHIN' ON EARTH CAN BEAT ME!



HE HURLED THAT DOOR WITH FANTASTIC SPEED! NO CHANCE TO--

HUH?!

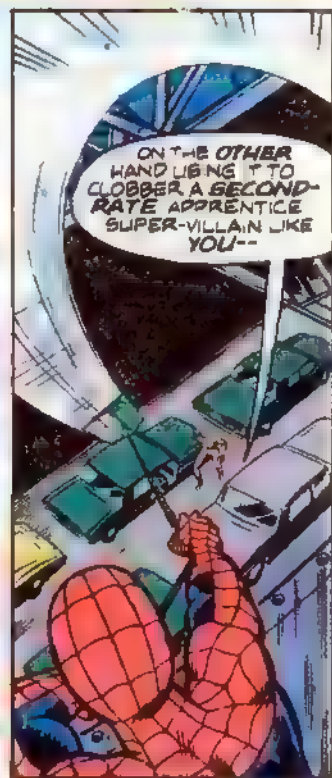
THWAP!



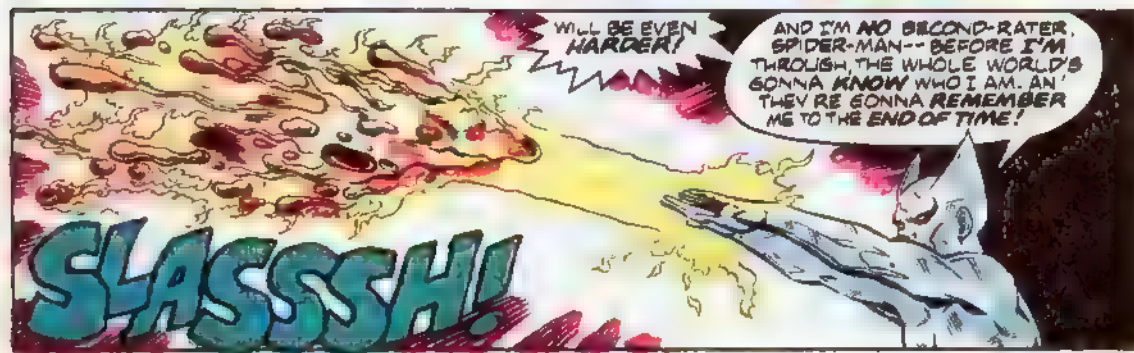
YOU MIND IF WE TRY, NOXIE?

AFTER ALL IT WOULDN'T DO FOR AN AVENGER TO GET DECKED BY A CAR DOOR NOW, WOULD IT?

RUINS THE IMAGE AN' ALL THAT, Y'KNOW?



ON THE OTHER HAND BEING T TO CLOBBER A SECOND-RATE APPRENTICE SUPER-VILLAIN LIKE YOU--



WILL BE EVEN HARDER!

AND I'M NO SECOND-RATER, SPIDER-MAN-- BEFORE I'M THROUGH, THE WHOLE WORLD'S GONNA KNOW WHO I AM. AN' THEY'RE GONNA REMEMBER ME TO THE END OF TIME!

SLASSSSH!



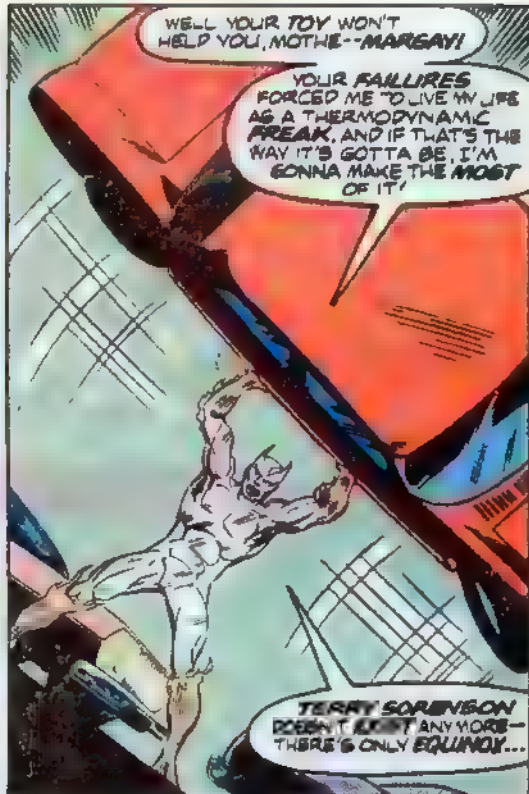
TERRY STOP IT! IN THE NAME OF GOD, SON--

--STOP THE MADNESS BEFORE SOMEONE GETS HURT!



EH-?!

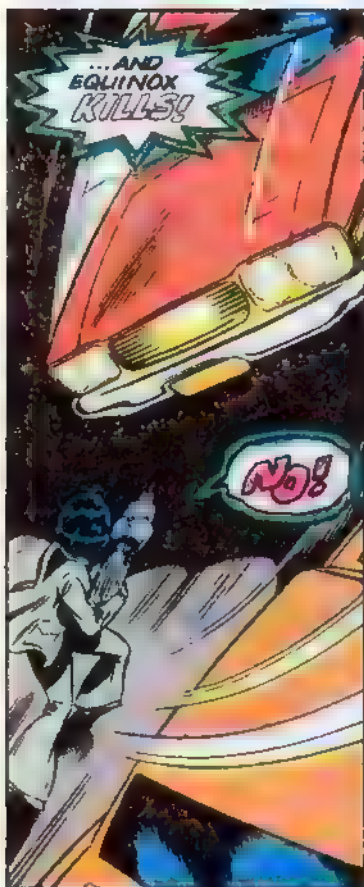
YOU--HERE?! BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! HOW COULD YOU HAVE KNOWN?!



WELL YOUR TOY WON'T HELP YOU, MOTHE--MARGAY!

YOUR FAILURES FORCED ME TO LIVE MY LIFE AS A THERMODYNAMIC FREAK, AND IF THAT'S THE WAY IT'S GOTTA BE, I'M GONNA MAKE THE MOST OF IT!

TERRY SOBBERSON DOESN'T EXIST ANY MORE-- THERE'S ONLY EQUINOX...



...AND EQUINOX KILLS!

NO!



HE MEANS IT, LADY!

WHAT ARE YOU, CRAZY OR SOMETHING CHARGING UP HERE LIKE THAT? THINGS ARE ROUGH ENOUGH ALREADY!

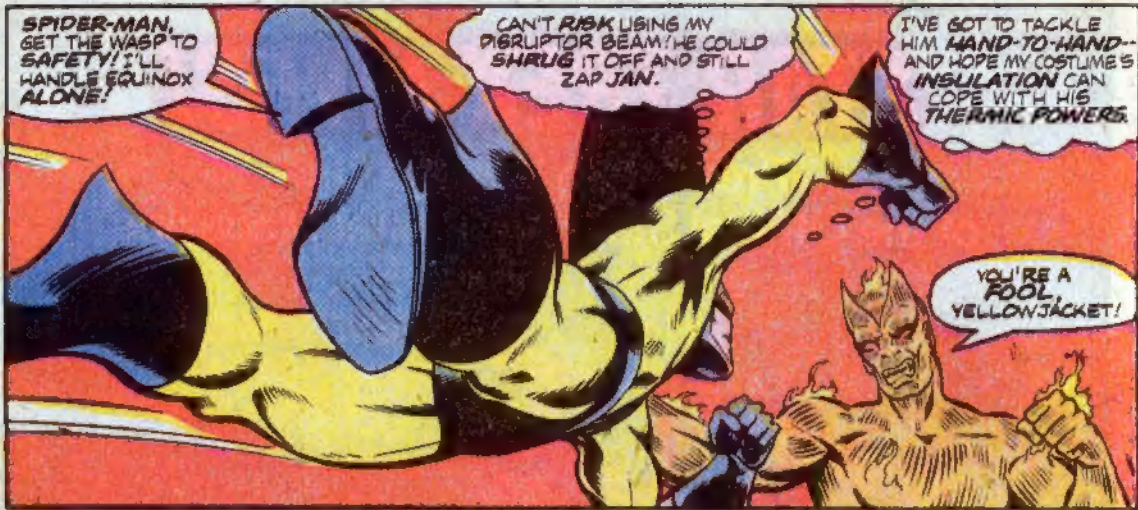


AND THEY'RE GETTING ROUGHER BY THE MINUTE, AS THE CARB HIT, THEN EXPLODE...

UNNNNNNN!



JAN! SHE WAS CAUGHT IN THAT BLAST-- SHE'S FALLING AT EQUINOX'S FEET! AND SHE'S REVERTING TO FULL-SIZE!

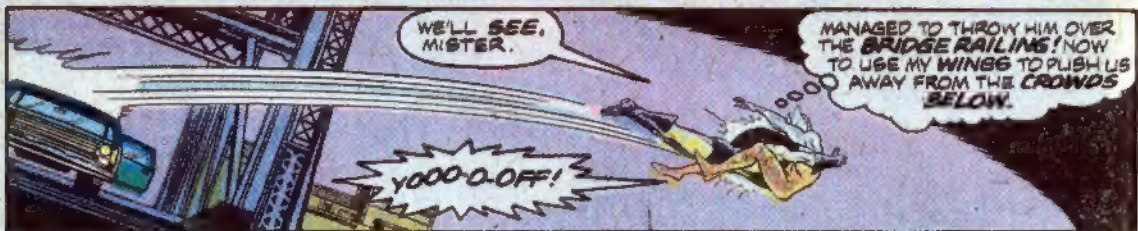


SPIDER-MAN, GET THE WASP TO SAFETY! I'LL HANDLE EQUINOX ALONE!

CAN'T RISK USING MY DISRUPTOR BEAM! HE COULD SHRUG IT OFF AND STILL ZAP JAN.

I'VE GOT TO TACKLE HIM HAND-TO-HAND-- AND HOPE MY COSTUME'S INSULATION CAN COPE WITH HIS THERMIC POWERS.

YOU'RE A FOOL, YELLOWJACKET!



WE'LL SEE, MISTER.

MANAGED TO THROW HIM OVER THE BRIDGE RAILING! NOW TO USE MY WINGS TO PUSH US AWAY FROM THE CROWDS BELOW.

YOOOO-O-OFF!



BLAST! HE'S ICING MY WINGS! THE ADDED WEIGHT'S FORCING US STRAIGHT DOWN!

HAVE TO ANGLE THE FALL SO EQUINOX ABSORBS THE BRUNT OF THE IMPACT, AND HOPE THE HARD LANDING STUNS HIM.

THUD!



SO MUCH FOR THAT IDEA-- HE ISN'T EVEN WINDED! FACE IT, HANK, THIS TIME YOU MAY HAVE BITTEN OFF MORE THAN YOU CAN CHEW.

THAT WOMAN ON THE BRIDGE SEEMED TO KNOW EQUINOX, AND HE ACTED LIKE HE WAS AFRAID OF HER. BUT WHY?!



TOO MANY QUESTIONS AND NO TIME TO HUNT FOR ANSWERS. RIGHT NOW, I'M HAVING ENOUGH TROUBLE JUST STAYING ALIVE!

BRAK!





FOR A SEEMING ETERNITY, NO ONE MOVES, THEIR MINDS REFUSING TO ACCEPT WHAT THEIR EYES HAVE SEEN...

...AND THEN, IN THE MIDDLE OF THE INFERNO...

JANET PYM CRIES OUT--SHE CAN'T HELP IT--HOPING AGAINST HOPE THAT HANK HAS SURVIVED.

HOPING AGAINST HOPE...

EQUINOX HAS TRIUMPHED!!

YELLOWJACKET IS DEAD BY MY HANDS-- AND I'VE EMERGED MORE POWERFUL THAN EVER!

NOTHING IN THE WORLD CAN STOP ME NOW!

WASP--MRS. PYM, DON'T! YOU'RE STILL WEAK, YOU HAVEN'T A--

TAKE YOURS HANDS OFF ME, MISTER. NOW!

YOU THINK YOU'RE SOMETHING, DON'T YOU, PUNK? YOU'VE KILLED A MAN.

WELL, YOU KILLED MY MAN-- AND THAT'S SOMETHING I'LL NEVER FORGET AND NEVER FORGIVE!

YOU GET OFF ON DEATH, ANIMAL?! THEN THE WASP'LL GIVE YOU A DEATH--

--YOUR OWN!!

NEXT ISSUE: THE SENSES-- SHATTERING CONCLUSION TO OUR STORY-- INCLUDING THE ORIGIN OF EQUINOX--

LOVE AND

DEATH!